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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 4393
TO BE ANSWERED ON THE 23RD MARCH, 2021

PRODUCTION OF MAIZE

4393. DR. G. RANJITH REDDY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री be pleased to state:

- (a) whether maize production for 2020-21 crop year is expected to be 30 million tonnes;
- (b) if so, the details of increase in the production this year compared to last year;
- (c) whether the Ministry feels that it is sufficient to meet the domestic demand or is there a need for import of maize;
- (d) if so, the details of import proposed by the Ministry;
- (e) whether any consultations have been held with poultry representatives about their requirement of maize and how the Ministry is going to meet the same; and
- (f) if so, the outcome of such consultations?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

कृषि एवं किसान कल्याण मंत्री (SHRI NARENDRA SINGH TOMAR)

(a) & (b): The production of maize is 30.16 million tonnes during 2020-21 (2nd Advance Estimates). The production of maize has increased from 28.77 million tonnes in 2019-20 to 30.16 million tonnes during 2020-21.

(c) & (d): The import and export of maize is dependent on various factors viz., domestic demand of diverse sectors, production, prices in domestic & international markets etc. The maize is utilized for poultry feed (47%), animal feed (13%), industrial (starch) products (14%), human food/processed food (20%), exports & other purposes (6%). Import/Exports are market driven. There is no any proposal of the Ministry for import of maize.

(e) & (f): Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairy, on the basis of representations received from Poultry Industry conducts meeting to resolve their issues with regard to maize prices for poultry feed. Besides, Government of Haryana has also launched a scheme Mera Pani Meri Virasat to diversify paddy towards maize in 2020-21.
